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Samuel Sinyangwe MuckRock News DEFT MR 77187 411A Highland Ave. Somerville, MA 02144

Re: Public Information Request received July 15, 2019

City of Waco Reference No: LGL 19-114 (WQA 63698)

Dear Samuel Sinyangwe:

Regarding the public information request you made to the City of Waco, Texas, the City contends that all or at least part of the information you requested is excepted from public disclosure under the Texas Government Code, Chapter 552, and that such information may be withheld.

Because the City asserts that the information requested is excepted from disclosure under said law and should therefore be withheld, the City will be submitting a request for a decision from the Texas Attorney General in accordance with Section 552.301(a) of the Government Code. A copy of the City's letter to the Attorney General is enclosed herein for your review.

Within a reasonable time, but not later than 15 business days from the date of your request, the City will submit to the Attorney General a copy of the information you have requested and the reasons why the City believes that all or at least part of the information should be withheld. At that time, you will also receive a copy of the City's letter to the Attorney General.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. If you should require more information, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Sincerely,

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Hon. Ken Paxton Texas Attorney General Open Records Division P.O. Box 12548 Austin, Texas 78711-2548

Re: Public Information Request received July 15, 2019

Requestor: SAMUEL SINYANGWE
City of Waco Reference #: LGL 19-114

Dear Attorney General:

The City of Waco, Texas has received a public information request from the above referenced requestor.

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The City of Waco contends that part or all of the information requested is excepted from public disclosure under applicable law found at Texas Government Code, Chapter 552, Subchapter C, § 552.101 through § 552.142. Because the City asserts that the information requested is excepted from disclosure under said law, the City is submitting this request for a decision from the Attorney General in accordance with Section 552.301(a) of the Government Code.

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In accordance with Gov't Code, § 552.301(d), the City will provide to the requestor within a reasonable time, but not later than the 10th business day after the date of receiving the requestor's written request, a written statement that the city wishes to withhold part or all of the requested information and has asked for a decision from the attorney general about whether the information is within an exception to public disclosure [EXHIBIT 1] and a copy of this letter from the City to the attorney general.

In accordance with Gov't Code, § 552.301(e), the City of Waco will, within a reasonable time but not later than the 15th business day after the date of receiving the request from the abovenamed requested, submit to the attorney general a brief or other written comments stating the reasons why the hereinabove stated exceptions apply that would allow the information to be withheld. In addition, the City will submit to the attorney general a copy of the written request for information, a signed statement as to the date on which the written request for information was received by the city (or evidence sufficient to establish that date), and a copy of the specific information requested (or else submit representative samples of the information if a voluminous amount of information was requested). In addition, the City will label the copy of the specific information, or of the representative samples, to indicate which exceptions apply to which parts of the copy.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. If you should require more information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

Megan Rathel

Assistant City Attorney

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